

LABC South East Regional Building Excellence Awards 2011

The Award Winners 2011



This brochure provides a snapshot of the 2011 Award Winners which we hope will inspire you to enter your own project or partnership into the 2012 awards scheme.



The winners of the LABC South East Region

Best Domestic Project

Project: Wheelwrights.
Architect: Tim B Cooksey Design Partnership.
Contractor: TBC Contracts Ltd.
Developer: TBC Contracts Ltd.
Local Authority: Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council.

TBC is a family run development company which undertakes projects locally within North Hampshire. This project was a challenging conversion of an old garage/workshop which had been redundant for many years and blighted a picturesque conservation area in a historic village. Constructed of an oak frame, the developer was keen to retain as many of the original features as possible to conserve the character of the building. The finished result is a family home, of the very highest quality.



Best Social Housing Development

Project: Adjacent to 12 Moat Park House, Charing.
Architect: Michael Cook Associates.
Contractor: Jenner (Contractors) Ltd.
Developer: English Rural Housing Association.
Local Authority: Ashford Borough Council.

Wilkinson Close, Charing is an excellent example of a quality sustainable residential development built around strong collaborative working between employer, local authority, parish council, contractor and design team to provide well designed quality homes for local people. Overall the scheme oozed build quality. This is as a result of not only quality site management but workmanship, site control and organisation which are fundamentals in delivering quality houses.



Best Small Commercial Development

Project: 7 Hotel Diner, Halstead, Kent.
Architect: Andrew Barrett.
Contractor: Paye Homes LLP.
Developer: Paye Homes LLP.
Local Authority: Sevenoaks District Council.

The redevelopment and transformation of a diner to a themed hotel and diner has been delivered to the highest possible build standard. The challenges which had to be met were numerous but once the extensions and refurbishment works had been completed the overall result is one of a blending of traditional and contemporary finishes giving a quality feel to the whole project.



Best Large Commercial Development

Project: Lemo UK Headquarters, Worthing.
Architect: Haskoll.
Contractor: Denne Construction Ltd.
Developer: Lemo UK.
Local Authority: Adur District and Worthing Borough Council.
Engineer: Hemsley Orrell Partnership.

This iconic building makes a new architectural statement within the borough of Worthing. The design (the original concept of which was formulated by the client's Swiss Architects, Muhlemann and Partners, back in 2007) was challenging to all members of the design and build team however the close team working openly adopted by all throughout the project has led to a very successful outcome.



Best Community Development

Project: Sikh Temple.
Architect: Calford Seaden Partnership.
Developer: Calford Seaden Partnership.
Local Authority: South Thames Gateway Building Control Partnership.

After years of relying on adapted buildings for worship and community activities this temple is a beacon of how a community can pull together resources. The final design derived its influence from the Golden Temple at Amritsa and is a three storey structure with large domed roof over the main worship area. Heating and services installations are located on the roof and a system of full height internal stairways provide both internal vertical movement in the building and means of escape in case of fire. The magnificent marble cladding was undertaken by skilled stone masons from India and the temple is currently one of the largest in Great Britain.



Best Small Housing Development

Project: 110 Bouverie Road, West Folkstone.
Architect: Guy Hollaway Architects.
Contractor: Coombs of Canterbury.
Local Authority: Shepway District Council.

This stunning detached two-storey replacement home reflects elements of 30s art deco styling in its contemporary architecture of curved polar-white render walls beneath a concave roof. It boasts a reverse-lens roof, ground source heat-pump and a rainwater harvesting system. Much of the ground floor is open plan and the central study room is set behind floor to ceiling glazed partitioning that aligns with the front elevation's glazed panels and glazed balustrading to the stairwell creating an almost see-through core to the upper storey. The completed house was built to Code 4 of the Code for Sustainable Homes.



Best Technical Development

Project: Bembridge Lifeboat Station, Isle of Wight.
Architect: Alan Culshaw Associates Ltd.
Contractor: BAM Nuttall.
Local Authority: Isle of Wight Council and the Borough of Poole.

It's difficult enough to build an excellent building on land let alone to build one at sea! This building is a technical triumph delivered on time and within budget expectations, meeting all the functional, aesthetic and environmental constraints. A very effective teamwork approach was developed between the two building control teams dealing with site inspections and all of those involved in the design and construction processes. As one of the local building control surveyors said, "the whole job from start to finish went like a well oiled clock, resulting in a first class building".



Best Partnership

Project: Hampshire County Council.
Architect: Property Services, Hampshire County Council.
Local Authority: The Building Control Partnership.

The Building Control Partnership (BCP) was awarded the building control services contract with Hampshire County Council (HCC) in April 2009. The partnership arrangement, which is believed to be the most valuable building control contract awarded in the education sector, has taken the fundamentals of the Partner Authority Scheme and in conjunction with all other local building control authorities in Hampshire, developed a system that provides exceptional services for HCC.



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Best Sustainable Development

Project: Sustainable Construction College.
Architect: Stephen George and Partners.
Contractor: Winvic Construction Ltd
Developer: Prologis.
Local Authority: Dartford Borough Council.

SusCon is a £6.9 million sustainable construction training and research centre at The Bridge in Dartford. With a curriculum designed to address the shortage of green skills within the construction industry, this is one of the most environmentally-friendly education buildings in the UK and will set standards for sustainable construction training. This innovative project pushed the boundaries of current sustainable construction technology. Both the design and construction teams rose to the considerable challenge of creating a truly 'cutting edge' building combining the best sustainable construction practice with an iconic design.



Best Education Development

Project: Surrey Sports Park.
Architect: Hadfield Cawkwell Davidson Ltd
Contractor: Willmott Dixon Ltd.
Other: SKM Anthony Hunts
Local Authority: Guildford Borough Council.

Surrey Sports Park typifies the attitude of Surrey University and has been built not only to meet the needs of the university and the local communities but for a wider audience, of both amateur and elite sportsmen and women. The resulting building is a mixture of more traditional construction methods with natural materials and the more contemporary. Guildford building control was heavily involved in the project from the start and the end result is a very practical, efficient and attractive building, popular with those who use and work within it.



Best Large Housing Development

Project: The Landmark, Bexhill.
Architect: Cardy Construction.
Developer: Waydale Estates
Local Authority: Rother District Council.

The Landmark is a development of 66 luxury apartments and a large retail space. Designed to compliment the adjacent De La Warr Pavilion, a Grade 1 art deco building, The Landmark is a seven storey building with a further two storey basement level car parks developed and constructed by Canterbury based Cardy Construction. The successful delivery of The Landmark was due to good inclusive team working which enabled prompt decision making and ensured good quality control on site.



About the Awards

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